

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Gabriel and Diana Purnell Store Survey Number: WO-469

Project: US 113 from MD 394 to Delaware State Line Agency: SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no yes Name Date

Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended X

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The Purnell Store stands on the south side of Old Ocean City Boulevard approximately 400 feet east of its intersection with US Rote 113 in Worcester County, MD. The property, on a .5-acre lot, consists of a bungalow (the store) and an associated shed. The property is not considered eligible for individual listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Built ca. 1940, the building now occupied by the Purnell Store is a 1-1/2-story bungalow dwelling. Raised upon a brick pier foundation (filled in), the house has a steeply pitched gable roof with kicks and shed roof dormers on both slopes, and exposed rafter ends at the eaves. Character-defining features of the bungalow form, such as the full-width porches on the front and rear elevations, have been filled in compromising the original form of the building. The house lacks the architectural integrity necessary to qualify it for listing under Criterion C. Further, the property is ~~not~~ known to have any associations with persons or events significant to our past and is thus not eligible for listing under Criteria A or B.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Review and Compliance Files

Prepared by: Stuart Paul Dixon/Historian, Inc. for SHA

Kimberly Prothro Williams March 17, 1996
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: ✓ yes no not applicable

Oreanda Purnell March 27, 1996.
Reviewer, NR program Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eastern Shore	(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Western Shore	(Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Piedmont	(Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Western Maryland	(Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Paleo-Indian	10000-7500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Early Archaic	7500-6000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Archaic	6000-4000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Late Archaic	4000-2000 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Early Woodland	2000-500 B.C.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Middle Woodland	500 B.C. - A.D. 900
<input type="checkbox"/>	Late Woodland/Archaic	A.D. 900-1600
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contact and Settlement	A.D. 1570-1750
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rural Agrarian Intensification	A.D. 1680-1815
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agricultural-Industrial Transition	A.D. 1815-1870
<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1870-1930
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Modern Period	A.D. 1930-Present
<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown Period (<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> historic)	

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Subsistence
<input type="checkbox"/>	Settlement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Political
<input type="checkbox"/>	Demographic
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Technology
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental Adaptation

IV. Historic Period Themes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
<input type="checkbox"/>	Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Government/Law
<input type="checkbox"/>	Military
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Educational/Cultural
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: BuildingHistoric Environment: RuralHistoric Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/single dwelling

Known Design Source: _____

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Historic Context:

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Geographic Organization:

Eastern Shore

Chronological/Development Period:

Modern Period

A.D. 1930-Present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:

Architecture

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Suburban

Historic Functions: Single Family Dwelling

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WO-469

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Gabriel & Diana Purnell Store

2. Location

street & number 10214 Old Ocean City Boulevard ☐ not for publication

city, town Berlin ☐ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Gabriel & Diana Purnell

street & number 9619 Mary Road telephone no.: (410) 641-1988

city, town Berlin state and zip code MD 21811

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Courthouse liber

street & number 1 West Market Street folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

See Continuation Sheet

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Unknown	Builder/Architect	Unknown
check:	Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D		
	and/or		
	Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G		
	Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local		

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. W0-469

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property .48a

Quadrangle name Berlin, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 1

The Purnell Store stands on the south side of Old Ocean City Boulevard approximately 400 feet east of its intersection with US Route 113 (Worcester Highway) in Worcester County, Maryland. Consisting of a one-and-one-half story frame bungalow on a .5 acre lot, the Purnell Store originally functioned as a dwelling on the northeast outskirts of the town of Berlin. A non-contributing gambrel-roofed shed stands southwest of the house.

Shed roof dormers occupy both slopes of the store's asphalt shingled gable roof. Full width porches have been enclosed on both the primary, north elevation and the rear, south elevation. Brick foundations support the porches while rusticated concrete block undergirds the main portion of the store. A one-story shed roof bay projects from the west elevation. A brick chimney raises from the center of ridge. Asbestos shingles cover the exterior walls. Triangular brackets and exposed rafter feet ornament the store.

The main, northern elevation's three symmetrical bays consist of a central bungalow door flanked by paired four-over-one wood sash. Modern doors exit the eastern and southern elevations as well. Four-over-one sash forms the predominate window type. Two pairs of four-over-one also penetrate either dormer. The west elevation's projecting bay possesses a tripartite arrangement of a six-over-one sash bordered by three-over-one sash.

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Erected circa 1940, the Purnell Store documents the use of bungalow architecture in Worcester County during the early twentieth century. The Purnell Store mirrors many of the characteristics of the county's principal bungalow house type as described by county chronicler Paul Touart (Touart 1994:195). One-and-one-half stories high, the Purnell Store possess Craftsman-style brackets and exposed rafter feet supporting wide eaves in addition to large, two-thirds width shed roof dormers.

Possessing good integrity of location, design, setting and feeling, the Purnell Store is recommended for inclusion on the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties under Criterion C, embodiment of the characteristics of an architectural style, as an example of early twentieth-century, bungalow architecture.

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1994 *Along the Seaboard Side, The Architectural History of Worcester County, Maryland.* Worcester County Commissioners, Snow Hill, MD.

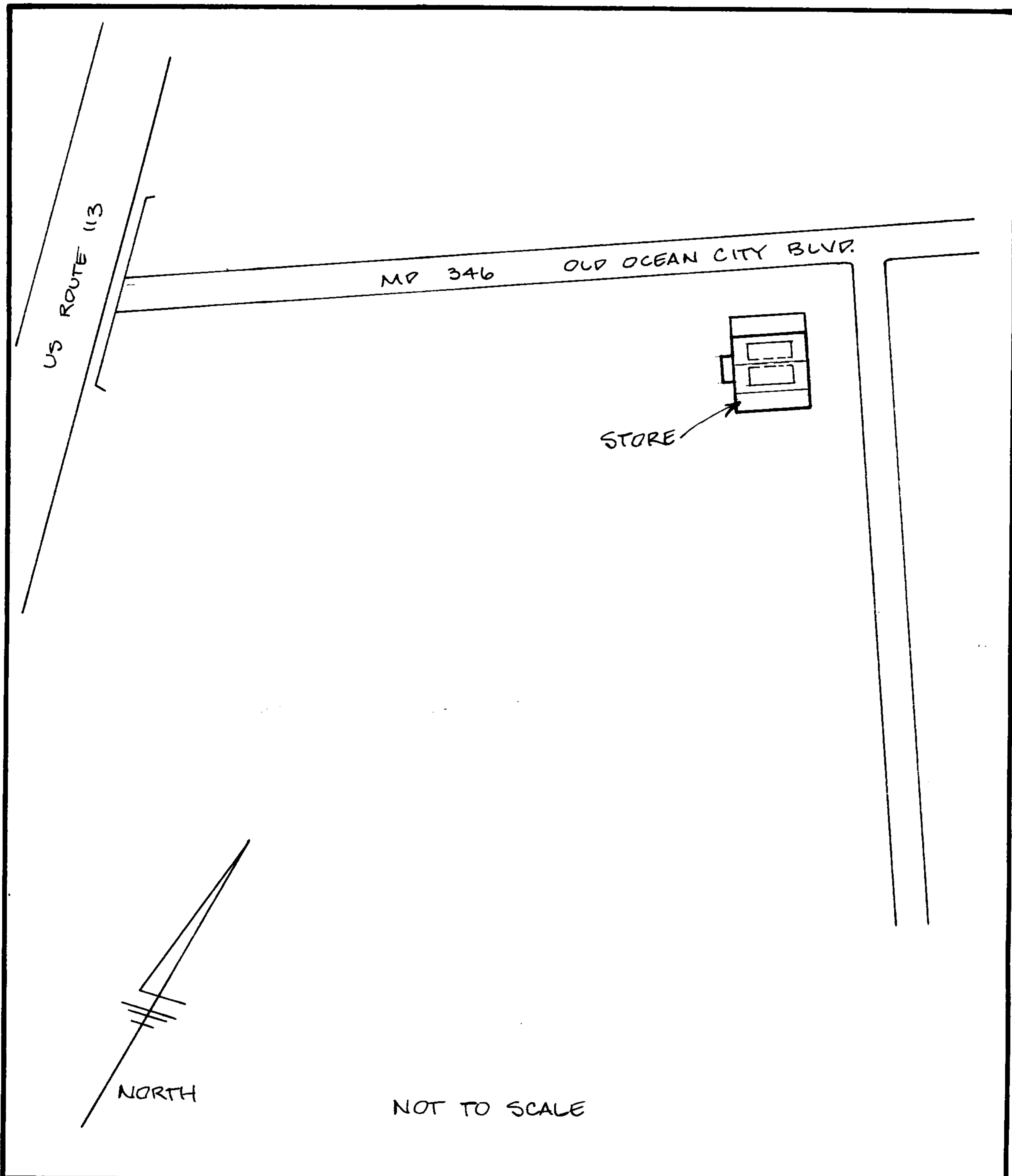
United States Geological Survey

1943 *7.5' Series Quadrangle for Berlin, MD.* On file at Maryland Historical Trust, Crownsville, MD.

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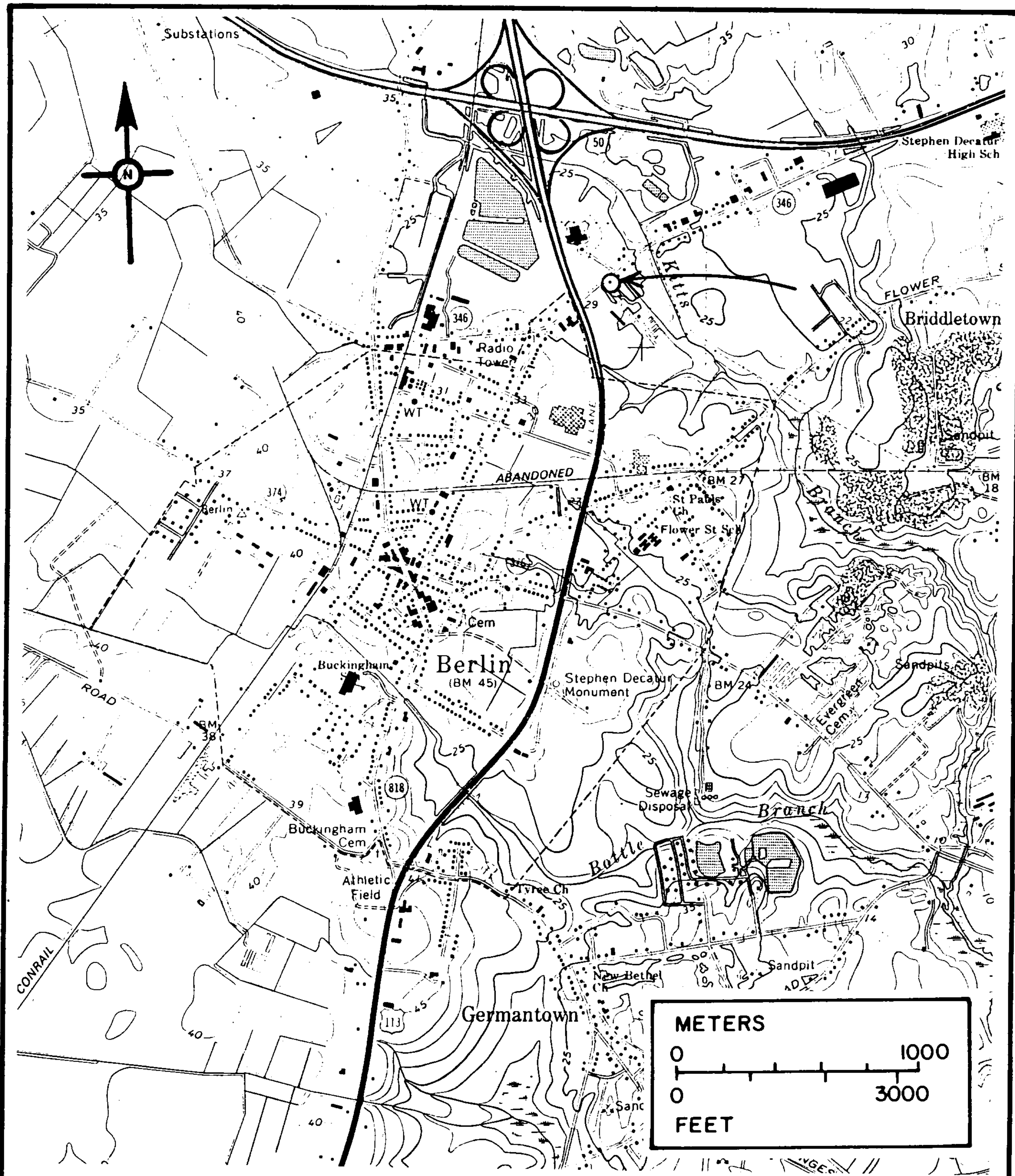
Worcester County 250th Anniversary Committee

1993 *Articles for Consideration: 250 Years of History, Worcester County, Maryland.*
Board of Commissioners of Worcester County.



RESOURCE SKETCH MAP
Gabriel and Diana Purnell Store (KCI-9)
Berlin, Worcester County, MD
Berlin, MD Quad Map

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LOCATIONAL MAP
 Section of the 7.5' Berlin, MD Quad Map (USGS 1967)
 Showing the Gabriel and Diana Purnell Store (KCI-9),
 Berlin, Worcester County, MD.

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GABRIEL & DIANA PURNELL STORE

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STATE HIGHWAY ADMIN

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